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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 17, delete "difference in";

line 18, change "the length of the cable is corrected" to --correction needs

to be made for cables having different lengths--.

Page 2, line 3, change "efforts to correct a difference in the length of a" to an

effort to make corrections for cables of different lengths--;

line 4, delete "cable.";

line 6, after "having" insert --cables of--;

line 7, delete "the electronic endoscopes must incur a burden";

line 8, delete entirely and substitute therefor --it is difficult to operate the

PLL precisely--.

Page 3, line 13, change "of which" to --whose--; and change "that of any other" to  
--other cables--.